THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) When compared with the health status in control locations *i.e.* places where no coal mines are located, it was found that the health status in urban and rural areas in the vicinity of coal mines in Chandrapur District is similar.

(c) Does not apply in view of reply to part (b) above.

Setting up of a coal mine at Jayamkondam, Tamil Nadu

4386. SHRI THANGA TAMIL SELVAN: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to set up a coal mine at Jayamkondam in Tamil Nadu considering its ample potential;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The Jayamkondam lignite mining-cum-power project is proposed to be promoted by M/s Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation Limited, a Government of Tamil Nadu enterprise through a consortium of private sector companies. The project is likely to have a mining capacity of 3.5 million tonnes of lignite and power generation capacity of 500 MW per annum in the first phase.

(c) Does not arise.

Community development works by CIL and BCCL

4387. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether CIL and BCCL have undertaken any community development works in coal producing States like Bihar, Jharkhand and Orissa;

(b) if so, the details of the district where such works have been undertaken, State-wise;

(c) the nature of the developmental works so undertaken; and

(d) the amount spent on these developmental works, district-wise, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) State-wise names of the Districts are :

Jharkhand: Dhanbad, Deoghar, Godda, Bokaro, Ranchi, Hazaribagh, Palamou and Giridh.

Orissa : Jharsuguda, Sundargarh, Angul, Sambalpur.

(c) Following activities are undertaken under community development work:

1. Providing of Hand Pumps Construction/Renovation of Wells/ Ponds etc.
2. Construction and Repairs of Rural Link Roads, Culverts, Bus Stand, Community Centre, Yatri Shed etc.
3. Constrcution and Repair/Extension of Educational Buildings. Providing Books and other reading materials.
4. Organising health camps such as Eye, Diabetic, Dental, etc.
5. Promoting self employment and Training Schemes like Tailoring, Pattal Making, Driving etc.
6. Helping Sports and Cultural Programmes.
7. Afforestation Programme, Distribution and Plantation of Seedings.
8. Other Miscellaneous works.

(d) The amount spent on Community Developmental Works, so during 2000-2001 District-wise, are given below :

State	Name of the District	Period 2000-01 (Amount spent in Rs. Lakhs)
Jharkhand	Dhanbad	42.46
	Deoghar	1.19
	Godda	14.94
	Bokaro	14.25
	Ranchi	27.06
	Hazaribagh	18.35
	Giridh	1.23
	Palamou	—
	TOTAL :	119.48
Orissa	Jharsuguda	114.27
	Sundargarh	51.54
	Angul	154.11
	Sambalpur	49.66
	TOTAL :	369.58

FDI in the mining sector

4388. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has chalked out any plan to boost the flow of foreign direct investment in the mining sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to set up exclusive Regulating Authority for the country's mining industry; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The Government has liberalized its FDI policy in the mining sector which allows